

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

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SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE  
ASSEMBLIES INCLUDING A  
NONCONFLUENT SPACER LAYER  
(AMENDED)

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**AMENDMENT**

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This Amendment follows the Office Action of January 18, 2008, the shortened statutory period for response to which expires on April 18, 2008.

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